### ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

# Division of Spill Prevention and Response Prevention and Emergency Response Program

### SITUATION REPORT

**INCIDENT NAME**: Alaska Trams Bunker Oil Container **SITREP** #: 2 and Final

**SPILL NUMBER**: 07119932501 **LEDGER CODE**: Not Requested

<u>TIME/DATE OF SPILL</u>: The United States Coast Guard (USCG) notified the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (ADEC) of the incident at approximately 11:55 AM on November 21, 2007. It is unknown when the spill began. The spill was first reported to Alaska Marine Lines by a float plane pilot as the barge was underway near Ketchikan.

TIME/DATE OF SITUATION REPORT: 3:00 PM November 23, 2007

TIME/DATE OF THE NEXT REPORT: This is the final report

TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED: Alaska Marine Lines (AML) revised the quantity of oil spilled to be approximately 1200 gallons of oily waste. The oily waste was a mixture of diatomaceous earth and oil recovered during the cleanup of an abandoned bunker oil tank. This estimate is based on the amount of product that has been recovered by SEAPRO personnel and placed into open top fifty-five gallon drum and DOT approved hazmat boxes. Approximately 100 gallons of oily waste may have spilled into the water.

LOCATION: AML Dock, Ketchikan, Alaska.

<u>CAUSE OF SPILL</u>: Approximately 1,000 tons of oil and diatomaceous earth recovered during a fuel tank cleanup in Juneau was being transported in a 20 ft. open top, lined container to Seattle for disposal. The door on the container apparently failed for unknown reasons allowing a portion of the contents to leak on to the deck of the barge, across the deck and into the water. AML and U.S. Coast Guard personnel stated that only one third of the container's oily waste was solidified. The liner material in the container was unable to prevent the discharge of the oily waste once the door failed.

POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP): Alaska Trams, LLC, Juneau, Alaska.

**RESPONSE ACTION:** AML removed the surrounding containers so workers could access the damaged container, continue cleanup operations and to aide in the investigation of the spill. The damaged container and three other containers transporting oily waste from the same tank-cleanup were removed from the barge and are being stored at a secure area in the AML facility. The other three containers had small amounts of oil leaking from them and were in poor condition. The U.S. Coast Guard has declared that the containers will not be permitted to be reloaded onto a barge until proper containment is provided.

The barge was cleaned and resumed its voyage on November 22, 2007.

**SOURCE CONTROL**: The source container was wrapped with heavy plastic and removed from the barge. An additional three containers were also removed from the barge.

**RESOURCES AFFECTED**: The marine waters of Tongass Narrows in the vicinity of Ketchikan. There have been no reports of oiled wildlife or shoreline impacts at this time.

**<u>FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:</u>** The four containers used to transport oily waste will be stored at AML until proper containment is provided. Once the USCG is satisfied that the containers have proper containment of the oily waste, they will be reloaded on a barge and transported to Seattle.

**WEATHER**: Weather conditions in Ketchikan are cloudy, approximately 45 degrees, winds light and variable.

#### **UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL:**

Incident Commander: Dan Kelly, AML

F.O.S.C.: Capt. Mark Guillory, USCG Sector Juneau

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**FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT**: Bob Fultz, ADEC at 225-6200X1. Photographs and other spill information are available for viewing at <a href="http://www.state.ak.us/dec/spar/perp/index.htm">http://www.state.ak.us/dec/spar/perp/index.htm</a>

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